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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF **DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98** 

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

## Compliance With 37 C.F.R. §1.97

The Applicant hereby certifies, as specified in 37 CFR §1.97(e), that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart for this application less than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. There is no fee due.

## **Information Cited**

The Applicants hereby make of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

## Remarks

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other

information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;

- 2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
- 3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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